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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 29 November 1965

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[redacted] of OCI gave a briefing on Iraq. R.J. Smith reviewed the CIB item this morning on ChiCom military aid to Cambodia. He noted that the

Kent reported that the memorandum on reaction to strikes against POL targets in North Vietnam had been delivered to Vance's office Friday night. He reported that the memo estimating reactions to the use of the O was ready. The DCI requested that this memo be part of the package which DDS&T is assembling, advance copies of which will be sent to 303 Members prior to the special meeting on this subject. In this connection, [redacted] noted that the paper on the reliability of the vehicle would be ready by COB today.

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Bannerman reported that the Agency had been given a fourth slot at the National War College. He noted that the prospects for reopening negotiations to [redacted] this. One problem is that [redacted] has first priority in negotiations with [redacted]

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In response to a question from the DCI, de Silva noted that all of his staff were now in Headquarters Building, although in two separate locations therein. The DCI expressed the desire to visit these complexes.

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Houston noted that Senator Symington had been briefed.

The DCI suggested that consideration be given to drafting a note to Vance expressing his concern in this matter and indicating a need to go ahead with an advanced search system. Wheelon noted that the TACKLE flight Saturday had been successful with some ChiCom fighter reaction. (See Action Item 2)

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DDCI reported on a conversation he had with Alexis Johnson Friday which indicated considerable concern in the Department concerning Rhodesia. He had learned that Roswell Gilpatric had agreed to come to Washington to be the number one man for State on this problem.

ACTIONS

1. DCI requested that a paper be prepared to provide an alternate position concerning the deployment of the O to the Far East. In sum, the paper would propose that a limited number of personnel and equipment be deployed, but none of the primary aircraft. (DDS&T - [redacted])

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2. The DCI requested more detail on the [redacted] in the TACKLE flight Saturday. (DDS&T - as soon as the information is available)

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3. DCI requested that a paper be prepared to justify the Agency's handling its own communications. This paper would include outstanding examples of Agency Commo performance vis-a-vis other departments and agencies as well as security considerations. (DDS - by the end of 1965)

4. The DCI requested that he be furnished on a weekly basis a "box score" on Communist elements [redacted] of OCI as stated)

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6. The DCI requested a report on the availability of the Weisner report on anti-missile missiles. (Dr. Kent to inform Dr. Elder in the course of the day)

7. DCI requested that [redacted] call Vance concerning the timing of a meeting on the O. (In the course of the day)

8. The DCI requested that consideration be given to preparing a memo on U.S. relations with Cambodia in the light of developments in the past several weeks. (OCI)

9. The DCI requested a report on the status of approval for new slots within the DDI on coverage of Chinese developments. (DDI - in the course of the day)

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10. The DCI requested a memorandum concerning the possible use of air-to-air missiles by MIG's in North Vietnam. (OCI by COB 3 December)

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